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		METHOD FOR A	)	
		VEHICLE AT A	)	
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**RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2007**

Dear Mr. Rudawitz:

In response to the Final Office action dated September 12, 2007, please consider the following claim amendments and remarks. This response is timely filed, as it is accompanied by the fee for a three month extension of time, extending the due date to March 12, 2008. The response is also filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination.

**The Status of the Claims** is reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.